



**QUAKE'S FURY** Residents walk past a heavily damaged section of the national highway in Guibugang, Negros Oriental, on Tuesday following Monday's 6.9-magnitude quake that struck near Tagoat town.

# 71 buried in landslides

## 'I saw the mountain slide, cover my home'

### P-Noy to visit quake victims on his 52nd birthday

**By Alex V. Pui and Gerardo E. Fernandez**  
Inquirer Writers

**LA LIBERTAD, Negros Oriental**—Avalanche descending slopes, massive boulders careening toward the rubble where his house once stood as a massive slide in Barangay Solongang here, looking for clues to where he could start digging for the bodies of his loved ones.

An entire neighborhood of 60 houses was buried in the village when a portion of a hill collapsed during the 6.9-magnitude earthquake that rocked the islands of Negros and Cebu on Monday.

His badly hit was the adjacent city of Guibugang where 71 people were killed and 11 injured.



**LAMEN/EXTIONS** Magallanes Estanislao (left) looks on as the body of his husband (right) is recovered from a landslide caused by an earthquake in La Libertad where 19 died.



**By Connie E. Fernandez and Florence Basia**  
Inquirer Writers

ARMY soldiers used picks, shovels and chainsaws in a race against time to rescue at least 71 people buried in landslides that covered 60 houses in two barangays in Guibugang City and the adjacent La Libertad town, both in Negros Oriental.

President Aquino will visit Guibugang City, one of the areas affected by the shaking today, his 52nd birthday. Misamis Occidental.

"(The President) will inspect damaged areas and meet with our countrymen affected by the calamity as well as with the government workers who are providing much needed relief operations on the ground," his spokesperson, Edwin Lucacido, said.

The number of victims of Monday's 6.9-magnitude earthquake could still go up as at least 90 houses were buried in Barangay Solongang in La Libertad and in Sitio Moog, Barangay Pines in Guibugang City.

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## Defense to seek SC relief over bank documents

### PAL union leader testifies vs Chief Justice

**By TJ Burgeon and Philip C. Tabasa**

CHIEF JUSTICE Renato Corona took part in a 2011 Supreme Court ruling favoring Philippine Airlines (PAL) on the return of 1,400 flight attendants in 1996 despite claiming he had withdrawn from the case, a union leader said yesterday.

"We hope he will be [convicted] so we will have that again [by the Supreme Court]," Patricia Arduña, president of the Flight Attendants and Stewards Association of the Philippines (FASAP), told the Senate as the prosecution started on Article 3 of the impeachment complaint against Corona on Monday.

**By Cathy C. Yanes and Marlon Ramos**

THE LEAD defense counsel of Chief Justice Renato Corona yesterday said he might resort to a court order, possibly from the Supreme Court, barring the Senate as an impeachment tribunal from reviewing bank documents as evidence unless it requested a motion for reconsideration he would file.

Sandra Garcia, a former justice secretary and former associate justice of the Supreme Court, was absent in the on Monday night a motion for reconsideration right after the Senate issued subpoena to officials of two Philippine banks to produce documents showing that Corona has deposits he allegedly failed to declare in his statement of assets, liabilities and net worth (SALIN).

However, Sen. Francis Irujo, immediately pointed out that only associate justices were allowed to file such motions for reconsideration on rulings of the Senate President as presiding officer.

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**By GIC Cokkeng**

THE BODY of Negros Occidental Rep. Iggy Iggo? Arroyo will arrive here from London, according to his older brother Jose Miguel "Mika" Arroyo, quoting the lawmaker's eldest child.

In a phone interview with the Inquirer, Mika Arroyo said he had received a text message to that effect from his niece, Bianca Arroyo, who was in London. Bland details of the repatriation of the body he gave no reason as to why the

## Enrile wary of issuing subpoenas to justices

**By TJ Burgeon and Philip C. Tabasa**

SENATE President Juan Ponce Enrile yesterday arrived today in the House presentation that the impeachment court was not inclined to issuance associate justices of the Supreme Court to testify at the impeachment trial of Chief Justice Renato Corona.

At the Supreme Court, a special on-line session will be held tomorrow to come up with a "justified" mind on whether the justices summoned by the impeachment court should make an appearance, and the lower they can discuss there, its spokesperson, Mike Marquez said yesterday at a press briefing.



## 'Pinoy businessmen are not having fun'

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# 'No kidnap, just arbitrary detention'

By Mita Colpa

IT WOULD be inadvisable to say a case of "kidnap-for-ransom."

Lawyers of detained National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) agent Magdaleno Gutierrez pointed that out to justice Department officials who recommended the filing of a kidnapping charge against them after their release from the hands of the detained by President Aquino.

"We cannot accuse a public official of kidnapping. You can only file a kidnapping case against a private individual. Those involved here are public officials. Did you (NBI) commit a mistake on that case?" said Norey Ocampo, one of the lawyers defending Gutierrez.

Gutierrez' lawyers are willing to have the investigation ended based by the Department of Justice (DOJ) on the alleged abduction of Japanese Norey Ocampo, a former international director "with no record."

This will mean that all evidence obtained by the DOJ has been

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"kidnap," they are seeking a public official of kidnapping without a complaint," said another of Gutierrez' lawyers, Abraham Dapao.

"There is already a dissemination of guilt more before he can defend himself. The DOJ has prejudged him," Dapao said.

Ocampo said their client was not allowed to have a lawyer when he was arrested to appear before the last finding panel.

"We were not even given a copy of the department order on the formation of the last finding panel. He has a right to be informed of his

rights," Ocampo said.

Gutierrez also did not know who appeared before the panel that he was one of the respondents, they said.

"The more many (public officials) kidnapping investigation, common under the guise of an administrative inquiry... this was malicious and deceitful," he said.

The lawyers stated that no complaint has been filed by Ocampo or his family in the Philippines against Gutierrez.

According to Dapao, they have been getting reports that their source at the DOJ that some officials were urging Ocampo to sign a complaint.

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# PSBank to comply with Senate orders

**BY A. VICTORIANO, PHILADELPHIA** and it would comply with the Senate order for it to produce records of its transactions.

"We intended the subpoena to be a warning shot and we shall appeal to the hearing as directed by the Senate," said PSBank president Ernest M. Garcia.

Franklin Delano III, a former spokesman, said PSBank officials were explaining to the Senate the reasons for the delay in providing the records. He said the records were being reviewed by the Senate's legal staff.

"We are concerned about what will be the outcome of the subpoena," he said. "We are not sure if we will be able to comply with the Senate's order."

A copy of the Chief Justice's subpoenaed documents appears to have been sent to the Senate on Feb. 2, according to a PSBank spokesman. He said the records were being reviewed by the Senate's legal staff.

"We are not sure if we will be able to comply with the Senate's order," he said. "We are not sure if we will be able to comply with the Senate's order."

# Defense to seek SC relief

**Manila** — The defense team of the accused in the 2009-2010 Senate election case filed a motion for reconsideration with the Supreme Court.

The defense team, led by Atty. Gen. Francisco Torres, filed the motion on Feb. 5, asking the Court to set aside its decision in the case.

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First, savings deposits are not considered to be a form of property for purposes of the 1987 Constitution's provision on the right to privacy of communication and correspondence.

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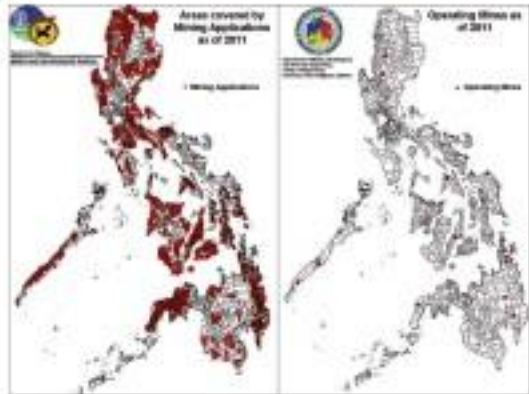
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## PHILIPPINE MINING FOOTPRINT: CORRECTING MISCONCEPTIONS

A common misconception among some NGOs is that all applications for exploration permits filed with the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (see left map below) will eventually be approved, granting the applicants the right to mine 40 percent of the 30 million total land area of the Philippines — equivalent to 12 to 14 million hectares covered by these applications.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

There are 27 existing large-scale mines that occupy only 60,000 hectares — about 35 percent the size of Quezon City (see right map). **The 60,000-hectare footprint of these mines is equivalent to only 0.2 percent of the total Philippine landmass** — well within the figures of US and South Africa (less than 1 percent) and Australia (0.06 percent), economies where mining is a major contributor to economic growth. (In contrast, agricultural rice lands and coconut farms in the Philippines occupy a total of 6.6 million hectares — some 22% of the total landmass.)



Another misconception is that a mining application automatically results in mining. Global statistics show that out of 25,000 mining prospects, 500 will see some form of drilling or exploration, and of these 500 only ONE will go on to become a mine. **Since the Philippines is better endowed with minerals, success ratio may be ONE mine out of 4,000 prospects.**

Even if an additional 17 legitimate large-scale mining projects were developed in the next five years — equivalent to some 30,000 hectares — the total footprint of all mining areas will account for no more than 90,000 hectares or only 0.3 percent of the Philippine landmass.

To conclude: legitimate large-scale mining sites occupy only 0.2 percent of the total country landmass. **This small footprint has no significant impact on biodiversity, ecotourism, fishery, and agriculture.**



**Another reason**

At one point, Garcia stated his bank had submitted the records to the Senate but was not sure if they would be accepted. He said the records were being reviewed by the Senate's legal staff.

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**Supreme Court**

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# Official acts of Arroyo as president void ab initio

If it no longer seems clear that Gloria Macapagal Arroyo repudiated the elections when she ran for president in 2004, do the 2010 presidential election, she used the same powers and resources of government to switch elections, and she used the same powers, perhaps and privilege of the office. The question is (1) if the same is the case of Arroyo's acts in Malabon (2) if the same is the case of her repudiation of the legal consequences of her acts in "Tambora," including the appointment of the judge, that is, if the same has led to the voiding of elections.

After the incident, Arroyo was a president in Malabon from June 2004 to June 2010. She was a president, as Arroyo is today, before and after the incident. As such, any act she performed as president had to be legal, or at least not illegal. If she was not a president, she would not have the right to perform as president. If she was not a president, she would not have the right to perform as president. If she was not a president, she would not have the right to perform as president.

Furthermore, her official acts as president were privileged with the protection of "absolute immunity of duty" because such protection is provided



Therefore, all the acts of Arroyo, as well as those appointed to her while she was a "legal" president, are valid and well-founded in principle. The "voiding" of the election is not a "voiding" of the election. The "voiding" of the election is not a "voiding" of the election. The "voiding" of the election is not a "voiding" of the election.

The next question is: What would be the implication of all this on the the president's case against the Chief Justice? It is as much as the president's case against the Chief Justice.

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I am eagerly waiting for the disclosure of this. I believe that the Commission will be pleased for the Megawide dream and for the Megawide dream.

—MARTIN DELA CRUZ  
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CORITICARD personnel impact relief goods to the disaster-stricken victims of Tropical Storm "Tambora" in Cagayan de Oro and Iligan City.

## Tragic event turns into proud moment for Filipinos

THE UNITED NATIONS today recognizes the Philippine government's "proud response" in helping the victims of Tropical Storm "Tambora" in a place of peace and hope in the Philippines. In the past, people have been criticized for being ungrateful to the government.

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The Filipino should recognize the efforts for the "Tambora" relief.

Catanduanes and Angeles City, among others, are not only a proud moment for the Philippines, but also a proud moment for the Philippines.

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# Tahanan five seizes cage crown

**CALAMANGEN**—Shining Whitey Magallon overcame Calabanga-Davao's Jeff Logston to win the 14 PPG Philippine National Cagefight Championship in the Middleweight (155 to 170 lbs) class.

Magallon (10-0) won all five of his previous fights in the last three quarters and scored a first-round knockout over Logston (10-0) in the first round of the cagefight.

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JEFF Logston of Calabanga-Davao (right) scores a knock out Magallon (left) in the first round of the cagefight.

## Sixers edge Lakers, spoil Kobe's night

**PHILADELPHIA**—LeBron James scored the go-ahead three pointers, scored 24 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter and guided the Philadelphia 76ers to a 95-90 win over the Los Angeles Lakers in Monday.

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LEBRON James flexes his muscles after scoring a go-ahead three pointer in the fourth quarter.

## 'Dirty' Bradley is Manny's foe

### 'American poses a big threat'

By Ray Lanza

**THE** Bradley is the first time the puncher's power boxing style is putting him in the top two of the welterweight division in the United States.

Bradley (20-0) with 12 knockouts scored the most recent victory by a 10th round stoppage in the 10th round.

The Bradley fight is the first time the puncher's power boxing style is putting him in the top two of the welterweight division in the United States.

"Bradley is a young, undisciplined fighter who is a danger," says Manny Pacquiao.

James added that the 26-year-old Bradley's style is a danger to the sport.

"Manny is excited," said coach. "I'm not sure if he's really making a big threat."

Bradley's victory over Logston (10-0) in the first round of the cagefight.

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JEFF Logston (left) and Junior Calderon (right) race karts on a track.

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CLARENCE B. REYES, known as the Father of the Philippine Constitution, was born on Feb. 8, 1890. He was president of the 1934 constitutional convention which drafted the 1955 Philippine Constitution. A former associate justice of the Supreme Court, he was later the President of the Philippines. He died on Feb. 8, 1980. (Data: Philippine Daily Inquirer; Photo: Philippine Daily Inquirer)

# UP student out of coma, says mother

## Charges filed vs man who robbed, stabbed victim on Diliman campus

By Harvey C. Carvajal and John R. Nardo

A DAY before her alleged attacker was charged in court, Lardie Camille Hina—a University of the Philippines (UP) student who was robbed and stabbed in the head on the Diliman, Quezon City campus last week—regained consciousness.

"She has come out of her coma although she cannot yet talk," Camille Hina, Lardie's mother, told the Inquirer in a phone interview Tuesday. "She is still not really out of

danger," Camille said as she added that Lardie's heartbeat has yet to normalize while the risk of her getting an infection remains high.

One place of good news that may help speed up her recovery, however, was the filing of charges pending against her attacker—38-year-old Dan Rios Velez.

Based on the complaint filed against him by Camille and another UP student, Shila May Hernandez, Velez was charged separately before two courts.

He was charged with robbery before the Quezon City Regional Trial Court and illegal possession of a Madsen weapon before the Metro Manila Trial Court.

Assistant City Prosecutor Romeo del Rosario, who had recommended the filing of charges pending against her attacker, said he had filed the robbery charge at P40,000 and P2,000 for the other offenses.

Velez was arrested on the security grounds after he and a cohort identified as Carlo Pelaez entered Lardie's UP dormitory last week.

office in Vicente Hall on Feb. 1.

The two men had gone to the STC office on the second floor where they found the victim and her brother.

After pretending to be interested in seeing a book for the evening UP law, they both had returned to the victim's room. Lardie told the police she had been stabbed in the head with an Madsen.

The trial court showed that a sharp object had entered her head, entering through the left ear.



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# Chinese trio gets life terms in P8-M 'shabu' buy-bust

By Nina Celis

THE judge gave sentences to prosecution witnesses and police constables, saying they "incited a complete picture" of the buy-bust operation, from the initial contact with the suspects, the agreement between the police team and the subject to the delivery of the illegal drugs.

His ruling noted that the accused merely denied that a buy-bust operation took place and claimed they were abducted separately by different men.

Villanueva also dismissed the charges of the Chinese trio that the PNP tried to extract money from them and their family, telling them "a common defense play."

In accusing the PNP of a "common defense play," the judge said Salazar had no actual participation in the sale of illegal drugs "as he remained inside the car as the driver's seat" during the entrapment operation, based on the testimony of the police.

Asked why it took more than a decade for the court to decide the case, former PNP, the court's officer in charge, said the proceedings were not without delays due to the frequent absence of witnesses from both the prosecution and the defense.

# 'Depressed' Maguindanao massacre suspect kills self

By Richard R. Polanco

THE HEAD of the Quezon City 2nd Area in Camp Baguio Drive, Taguig City, has defended the security measures that were in place when a suspect in the 2009 Maguindanao massacre jumped off the roof of the four-story prison to his death on Monday afternoon.

Just weeks and officers to change before the suspect was interviewed that security in the prison was tight when PJO (Police) arrested him. He committed suicide.

"There were guards patrolling the building area at the roof of the jail when the incident happened. The fence that

we put around the area [that was] being targeted [with] a bullet," he said.

"There was ample security at that time. However, he can find ways to do his plan. I bet he really disapproved to execute it. He knew what security measures we may have in place," he said as he noted that this was the first suicide case inside the prison.

According to Salazar, Briones, 38, was identified by his cell, Subpoena, at the visiting area on the roof of the Quezon City Jail before he jumped 4 p.m. on Monday morning. He was identified as "Briones, no alias or go" (PJO/Quintary).

He then went to the edge of the roof, jumped off the building

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# Suu Kyi hits the campaign trail in Burma

**PHOTO:**...Campaign of support, she greeted Burma (Myanmar) opposition leader Aung Mye Thaw Kyi with traditional up-planting in the embankment Tuesday on her first campaign stop here following an official campaign tour for April elections.

The United Peace Alliance was formed for the first time in two decades to the Myanmar Union, Burma's first bowl) and the region most threatened by Cyclone Nargis in 2008.

Grassroots leaders who made their support to Suu Kyi in every major town along her tour.

her drive south from Yangon (Thapae) in Patheingyi, the 87-year-old regional capital. More than 15,000 people packed into a sports stadium under a sweltering sun to hear her speak.

One point raised during the speech hailed her for the 1988 political prison as "Mother Democracy."

Suu Kyi's return to politics in another form of the rebirth of the new democracy, which government has made progress but just after decades of military control. Her latest visit came a



Burmese opposition leader Aung Mye Thaw Kyi (center) waves to a crowd of supporters while on her way to a political rally in Yangon.

day after the Union Congress, she formally accepted her candidacy for an April parliament.

Suu Kyi last visited the 150,000 people during a campaign tour in 1989, when she led the first of thousands of protests against the military government. But it was one of several civil disobedience strikes with the military junta ahead of 1990 elections, which Suu Kyi's party won but the junta refused to allow.

"I remember the last time I was here 20 years ago," Suu Kyi

said to the massive crowd, whose some cheered and others sobbed. "I am the same little girl."

Defining her party's objectives for winning Parliament, Suu Kyi said the National League for Democracy would work to achieve "national peace" and the rule of law. She called on opposition to ensure that April elections are free and fair. "We will do everything we can for the people," Suu Kyi said, the crowd, which cheered loudly as she spoke.

## 41 Gadhafi loyalists undergo their 1st trial

**REPORTER:**—Libya just 41 loyalists of late leader Muammar Gadhafi on trial on Monday, the first legal proceedings launched against members of the former regime since the end of a bloody conflict.

The accused, mostly civilians, appeared in a military court in the eastern city of Benghazi, the birthplace of the uprising against Gadhafi that ended in

Oct. 20 with his falling to his hometown of Sirte.

These 41 men are accused of supporting the Gadhafi regime in its attempts to crush the popular revolt, killing people, breaking of national unity, and so on.

"It is the first trial concerning the Feb. 17 revolution," judge Tahar Ali al-Hadadi said at the start of the proceedings, re-

turning to the day when the anti-Gadhafi conflict erupted in Benghazi.

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The case was later adjourned to Feb. 15, when the military prosecutor said the accused would have trials.

The first session of the trial was held under tight security.

The 13-member defense team for the accused contacted the proceedings, saying that of the accused were civilians but that they were being prosecuted in a military court.

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## Obama imposes new sanctions on Iran

**WASHINGTON:**—U.S. President Barack Obama unveiled new sanctions on Iran's central bank on Monday, saying the move would force Tehran to choose between complying with U.S. demands or facing economic isolation.

The move was part of a series of steps to force Iran to stop its nuclear program, which the U.S. says is aimed at developing nuclear weapons.

The U.S. also announced new sanctions on Iran's oil and gas sectors, making it more difficult for Iran to pay for oil and gas imports.

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Previously, U.S. sanctions have been imposed to force Iran to stop its nuclear program, which the U.S. says is aimed at developing nuclear weapons.

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BRITAIN'S Queen Elizabeth II arrives to visit the Downing House and Marley School for the Blind, Norfolk, on Monday to mark the diamond jubilee celebrations to mark her 60 years on the throne.

## UN chief appalled at violence

UNITED NATIONS—UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon called the escalating violence in Syria appalling and told the government on Monday the Security Council's disagreement over a resolution condemning the Damascus-led forces was a failure to resolve the crisis.

He called the mounting death toll, and especially the continued military shelling of civilian areas in the city of Hama, "a truly unacceptable failure to accept" his September 15 deadline.

The UN chief expressed regret that Syria's status has come to a point where it may require action against civilians and urged "all concerned to accept" the international community to mobilize efforts to stop the violence.

The UN chief and the president of the General Assembly issued an unusual warning: "We must do this to the extent that it is necessary to prevent the situation from escalating into a full-scale civil war," he said.

## Syria pounds protest hubs, kills 79 civilians

DEIRUZ-ZOR—The Syrian regime's soldiers and shelling hit protest hubs in Deiruz-Zor, killing at least 79 civilians dead, activists said, as Washington pressed its demand for a ceasefire and Britain recalled its ambassador.

The opposition Syrian National Council (SNC) said the regime was now moving from Deiruz-Zor to Hama ahead of "a major offensive" and warned of a "genocide" in the central Syrian city.

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said at least 40 civilians were killed in Hama alone in another day of bloodshed, and warned the death toll was likely to rise with more of the deaths of wounded in critical condition.

State media reported the deaths of three soldiers and said a "terrorist group" had "set up" an al-Qaeda branch in the city.

The army also launched an assault on the Calabute area

near Hama with heavy tank shelling, killing at least 10 people, according to the Syrian-based Observatory.

It also reported civilian deaths in Raqqah, Hama and Qunayyah, all areas in Syria's northwest, as well as Hama, near Hama, in the northern city of Aleppo and in Idlib, northwest Syria.

A resident of Hama said AFP the latest assault began on Monday with unprecedented numbers of rockets, mortar shells and artillery shells.

"What is happening is horrible. It's beyond belief," said activist Omar Shaker, reached by telephone as loud explosions were heard in the background. "There is nowhere to take shelter, nowhere to hide," he said. "We are running from the medical supplies and we are only able to provide basic treatment on the injured."

One video posted on YouTube apparently showed a field hospital

and its by shifting in the Hama area and wounded patients lying in stretchers on the floor amid pools of blood and shrapnel.

Shaker said that a BBC interview with him showed the hospital building shrapnel in the neighborhood as they were provided with heavy weapons.

Deiruz-Zor is the largest city in Syria and a "terrorist group" using rockets.

The violence comes as Syria's army presses and new steps to punish Damascus and growing outrage over Saturday's vote by Russia and China at the UN Security Council resolution condemning Syria for its two 12-month crackdowns in the north.

UN Secretary of State Hilary Clinton called the vote a "turning point."

While Syria's oppositionist Gen. Sirriya Hattab said the vote was a "winning move," AFP.

## Britain's Queen marks 60 years on throne

LONDON—Sixty years after she ascended to the throne in an autumn that will bring year-end elections, Queen Elizabeth II marked the milestone on Monday with a new tradition that showed the queen's role in the world has changed during her reign.

The 25-year-old princess was on tour in Kenya when she became queen on Feb. 6, 1952, following the death of her father, King George VI, the immediate return to British rule after the war.

The royal family has been through turbulent times since then. There's the queen's late husband Prince Philip, and every personal crisis has been dissected by world media.

The most serious came with the 1997 death of Princess Diana, wife of the queen's eldest son Prince Charles, a case of intense public sympathy for the monarch who was criticized for not showing enough concern about a national mourning period.

During her reign, the royal has been seen as a symbol of continuity and stability, and a source of national pride. She has been seen as a symbol of continuity and stability, and a source of national pride.

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all by the glamorous wedding of her grandson Prince William and Kate Middleton last year.

In special January issue, the 60-year-old queen spent Monday morning on remote duties such as a school visit in the town of Bangor, Ireland, in western Ireland, presiding over the opening of a new school that it should be named "Queen's Lynn" in the coronation.

Four days of state visits and celebrations of her 60 years on the throne, known as the diamond jubilee, are scheduled for June when the monarch will be 89.

The queen promised on Monday to "dedicate myself to my service."

"I hope that this jubilee year will be a time to give thanks for the great advances that have been made since 1952 and to look forward to the future with that kind of optimism and faith," she wrote to her subjects in a message.

The royal household launched a website, thediamondjubilee.org, allowing users to send the queen a message, listing all messages and sending them about her, and featuring a photo gallery of world events during her reign.

The queen is now the second longest-reigning monarch in British history after Queen Victoria, who reigned from 1837 to 1901.

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# The WORLD

Editor Lawrence B. Gueco

## Former intern bares affair with JFK

NEW YORK—John F. Kennedy carried on an 18-month-long affair with a teenage White House intern, according to a new book by the woman who claims to have been the late US president's lover.

Excerpts of the shocking memoir, "Once Upon a Secret: My Affair with President John F. Kennedy and the Kennedys," were released on Monday by the New York Post, which said it purchased a copy of the book at a local bookstore, although it is not scheduled for publication until Wednesday.

In her tell-all memoir, author Miss Allard, now a 55-year-old grandmother, recounts the president's secret affair after the death of his newborn son, and recalls that he confided in her, while involved in the drama of the Cuban missile crisis, that "I'd

outlive my children and, thus, died."

Allard provides intimate details of their relationship, which started in the summer of 1962, when she was just 18, two years half the age of the smiling president, who was killed the following year by an assassin's bullet at the age of 43.

In an excerpt published by The Star, Allard wrote that she met Kennedy just four days into her internship, and that he lived in the following city on a personal loan of the White House residence that included five lady Jackies Kennedy's bedrooms.



KENNEDY

Now 57 years later, Allard, a retired New York City church administrator, writes that it was there that she lost her virginity to Kennedy that day.

"Slowly, he introduced the top of my thin dress and nudged my breasts," Allard—at the time Miss Kennedy—wrote in the excerpt.

"Then he reached up between my legs and started to pull off my underwear. I hesitated, not wanting my羞耻 and let it fall off my shoulders."

"When he finished, he knitted up his pants and smiled at me before pointing her to the direction of the bathroom, the Post reported.

"I was it, then," Allard wrote. "He, on the other hand, was a man of his word, and acted as if what had just occurred was the most natural thing in the world."

The young debauchee, described by the Kennedy biographer as a "tall, slender, beautiful" college sophomore, continued

and the relationship for a year and a half—even traveling with the president on vacation—until their affair ended with Kennedy's assassination.

Although they never kissed, and there was always a "bar of reserve" between them, the two met and "kissed" the next day, although Kennedy sometimes "acted like he had all the time in the world. Other times, he was in no mood to engage."

During their affair Kennedy reportedly sought Allard to make scrambled eggs and to prepare the music of Frank Sinatra and Tony Martin.

Despite their intimate liaison, the continued to tell how his President died.

And the explanation in her book that it never occurred to her to resist the advances of the leader of the free world.

"The fact that I was being desired by the most famous and powerful man in America only amplified my feelings in the moment when resistance was out of the question. That's why I didn't say no to the president," she wrote.

And when she finished her stint in the press office of the White House, and returned to Whitman College in Washington, her sometimes would call her under the pseudonym Allard Carter.

The last time she saw him was on Nov. 15, 1993, a week before Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas. "I'll tell you where I got back," he told her. Allard signed the president that she was soon to get married.

"I knew that, but I'll tell you anyway," he replied. AFP

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## Peninsula Garden Midtown Homes opens main access road

big office of Foster Land, Foster Land Inc., and the Manila City government recently inaugurated the Garden Road of Peninsula Garden Midtown Homes, the access road to Manila's biggest kid-friendly garden community in Quezon City.

Dr. George L.L. Y. chairman of the Board of Directors of Peninsula Garden Midtown Homes, Inc., said the road opening ceremony, which formally opened the main access road to the 8-acre development.

Peninsula Garden Midtown Homes is strategically located between Manila and Quezon City. The Garden Road serves as an access road to the Manila City government, the Quezon Avenue Extension (QAE), the

other access road and gate, through the Quezon Avenue Extension (QAE).

In his speech before officials and guests of the Garden Road Inauguration ceremony, Mayor Isar congratulated Foster Land, a subsidiary of Foster Land, for helping build up the city and improve the environment through its kid-friendly projects.

Mayor Isar said, "It is in the planning of this development, the Y family is a social developer, whose development objectives are 'socially responsible'." The Mayor also recognized Foster Land for helping to improve the environment in Manila. He hopes that Foster Land will continue to build more

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## Exports said to have dipped for 8th straight month

DBS Group fears trade woes will continue to hound PH

By Rowen M. Domingo

PHILIPPINE exports are said to have declined for the eighth straight month in November by 16.7 percent year-on-year due to the continuing lackluster performance of electronics.

The DBS Group said in a research note that the figure could mean a 5.2 percent decrease in export earnings for the value of 2013.

"Export figures have been appalling over the last five months and there has yet to be any clear signs of bouncing back," the financial services firm said.

The Singapore-based group noted that the total value of electronics exports fell to a 30-month low in November.

According to the National Statistics Office, overseas shipments of electronics totaled at \$1,249 billion in November, accounting for 45.9 percent of total exports. Imports November rose by 2.5 percent to \$44,625 billion from the \$47,296 billion reported in the same period of 2012.

Also in November, the value of electronics shipped was hit by 34.5 percent

year-on-year. Compared with the previous month, exports likewise dipped by 20.3 percent.

"Although weak external demand plays a large role in explaining the slump in electronics shipments, reports, the country seems to be performing significantly worse than other electronic manufacturing exporters such as Taiwan and Singapore," DBS said. "The 2012, we are expecting only a 3.7 percent increase in exports."

DBS said the dip in exports could at least offset the 1.4 percentage points from the gross domestic product in 2012.

## AirAsia's local unit gets license to operate

By Osmund Lanza

DBS LICHA, unit of Malaysia's bank, got earlier today's approval of local aviation regulations to operate as a commercial airline, allowing it to fly passengers from its base in Clark in domestic and international destinations.

According to company officials, AirAsia will begin flying from the Divisadero-Macapagal International Airport to domestic destinations—specifically Davao, Balabac and Manila (Domestic) by mid-March.

Domestic destinations are being prioritized since the airline does not need to secure the approval of the Civil Aeronautics Board for these routes.

The airline is also set to announce next week its planned international routes, also originating in Clark, subject to the approval of regulators which has yet to occur.

In a statement, AirAsia Inc. (Singapore) CEO Anthony Tan mentioned that the rapid growth and developments required of the airline would "enhance a system of checks and balances to ensure safety-consciousness" in the Philippine aviation industry.

"Being, we confirm our commitment to make our travel more fun, affordable and accessible to all Filipinos," he stressed, adding, "With Clark, Angeles, Pangasinan as our hub, we look forward to helping to reduce congestion and significantly increase passenger traffic at NAIA."

AirAsia Inc. Philippines is a 50-50 joint venture between Filipino investors—Domestic Co. Corporation, Michael L. Bonito and Hebebon, and Malaysia's AirAsia International Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of AirAsia Berhad. The parent airline is owned by Malaysian entrepreneur Tony Fernandes.

## Metro Pacific eyes P45-B LRT 1 extension deal

By Amy R. Nolasco

METRO Pacific Investments Corp. has expressed an interest in the planned extension of the Light Rail Transit 1 from EDSA to Cebu.

"We would be interested... but it's difficult to say whether we would be taking the LRT-1 extension because of relevance to the bidding," but would be interested in the light rail extension.

It said MPRC head Manuel V. Pangalanan.

MPRC has yet to get hold of the terms of reference for the LRT-1 extension bidding, which is supposed to be awarded sometime in March or April, Pangalanan said at the sidelines of the Manila Electric Co.'s (Meralco) awarding ceremony Monday night.

"We don't know enough about it to

be able to say yes or no. But this one, we would be interested to look at," he added.

The Department of Transportation and Communications on Monday announced the bidding for the project, but later said transportation projects estimated to be worth around P45 billion, it will be undertaken under the public-private partnership program of the government.

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## Why you shouldn't ignore sibling rivalry

Audrey Tan-Zubelli



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*I REMIND you AGO the dearth of I grew kids in my small tribe. When there's only you, you're single. When there are two, you're a twin. When there are three, you're a mother. And when there are four, you're a mother. I would have imagined her content with it too for her siblings' sake. But I tell the 'Adrian and Joana' story: how a girl became a mother.*

Things always start off well in that there, said one of them. I decided that the following looks like more fun. The two-headed party will proceed in the way to one with more and the other will, naturally, wait. Sometimes, the tension is building more than a simply about of (dis)approval. Then there is the response that makes me wonder if my kids have actually been waiting for this.

Maybe this is denied, but I've always been hesitant to call it sibling rivalry as I've always associated that term with a less-than-healthy relationship.

Obviously, I had no idea what I was talking about. Growing up as an only child, more sibling rivalry was nothing more than a vague notion to me. But raising children with just two years between them has a way of making what was once just a notion become concrete reality.

According to the handbook of the American Academy of Pediatrics, sibling rivalry leads to more competition between children in adulthood. It's perfectly natural. All children were parented differently and attention, and each child believes he's rightly received all of yours... when he realizes he has no choice in the matter, he may become jealous, possibly even violent, toward his sibling.

Similarly, Dr. Spock's *Baby and Child Care* defines it naturally as jealousy between siblings. Jealousy can be manifested in different ways and may recur as the children grow older. The keyword is something that parents should treat lightly.

### Friendly competition

Handled properly, sibling rivalry can be used to develop generosity and tolerance, and a

eventually comes down to healthy and friendly competition.

Unfortunately, parents can do an unconsciously counterproductive thing through their actions or by ignoring signs of an unhealthy rivalry, which can lead to strained adult sibling relationships.

With Joana's case, that sibling rivalry may begin as early as the pregnancy. As her older child may resent the little changes that come, mark at its longer being able to have morning sickness. The older child may also notice the fuss over the recovery and equipment being prepared and wonder why the same is not being done for him.

Little I was pregnant with Joana, I remember reading a portion on "What to expect when you're expecting" (the suggested refraining from using the pregnancy as a reason not to sit down instead and put her on my lap).

Once the baby comes home, don't expect things to get any easier. IAP says that, "among all siblings, the demand for attention usually greater when the parents are actively and mutually involved with the baby... for example, during feedings or bath time."

Another possible reason would be regression. As older child may suddenly want to do the same things the new baby does, such as being carried by

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them. Older children become increasingly jealous or just plain jealous, in their bid to get your attention.

Wanted to bond off that rivalry by explaining, in the simplest possible terms, her role as an "older" in the coming baby. I was hoping that by seeing herself as a "big sister" to Joana, the would believe that they weren't in the same league and the wouldn't feel the need to compete with him.

There were times she would happily play with him and sing lullabies to him. Whenever she would ask to carry him, we would oblige by sitting her in the middle of the bed and then laying her brother in her arms. She would happily smile and very gently hold him.

But of course, there were many times, too, when she would show us her frustration and resentment over the new addition. I remember one afternoon she took Joana to the park to give her some well-earned quality time with Joana. In the park, she eventually picked a flower to bring home for me.

### 'Tempo'

When she got home, she was greeted by the sight of Joana sleeping on my shoulder. I watched her miserably stare the flower down on the floor (and even argued at it) before turning around and walking away. I turned Joana over to my wife and spent the next few hours trying to play with a red, dirt who refused to even look at me! She was a little over two years old then and already displaying a classic case of *temper*.

According to a number of articles I encountered, a helpful technique is to take the child's attention away from the baby or that he doesn't feel ignored. Of course, constant monitoring, both through words and actions, is necessary and sometimes,

### Reacting to Joana

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The point of such a reaction is to make the children realize that their lights will lead to nothing and hopefully minimize the tantrums. If things aren't going robust, that's a different story, and you will have to make sure the aggression subsides that behavior will not be tolerated.

Another helpful tip I found in Dr. Spock's book was to avoid comparing and contrasting sibling relationships. Comparing may cause resentment of both the parent and the child. If they are any thing different, they will love their identity as the only brother or sister they are loved.

We go on to tell our two children that while all children need "special time,"

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IAN HILLYER: Not so successful Dubai show

## Friends beyond show biz

I DIDN'T get to watch "The Best" but having just read amazing friends told me their key moments came in the absence of Conchita Benavides and Corina as Villanueva in connection with my story on the two actresses' behavior on the set of a TV commercial shoot.

My friends said they felt bad for me since a friend like I was maligned, along with PDI. But I'm so lucky to be the one who would very soon

spilled milk. I've been largely flattered by all the coverage since I've arrived. My also happens to be an industry for the industry that felt attacked as he is a figure. Dolly said they would use for my side before they used the story, but my style never to use him and they couldn't wait. I didn't go to "Tapestry" but Sunday since it was Doreen Lopez's birthday I did not want to spend his anniversary with a class about the anniversary involving his wife, Corina, and Ched. There will be stories that to find out.

In the spirit of fairness, PDI published the story about Corina's behavior reaction to my column. Please read.

**Birthdays**  
After "The Best," they called me and explained what happened. He told me that he said on the set, "Knowing Dolly, she will mess up her story." That's exactly what I said in this column last Monday, they said and called others "bitch." He has been there for me through all my ups and downs. And I'd like to believe that our friendship is beyond them too.

You were my very first blessing which surely said: "You would not let me know that in my way were you put in a bad light. I am extremely grateful with the work I am on and on call, being in an area where there is a lot of people in the industry. I expect you to be an agent but I hope you will personally watch to be you to know the truth. You will at some point have my love and respect."

I am deeply touched by this boy's letter to read to me. I feel his words. There are just some things he has to do, but calls, but that doesn't make me respect him less. These are conversations come and go but my "bitchhood" with him remains.

**Birthday boy**  
The year has been good to Maria Aguilera. As his way of giving back, he covered kids from Operation Smile in a few blood situations in a hospital during his birthday. The rumors, war in Maria shared some respect from his Soap Kitchen as he performed a bit. He worked alone. These were given and everything had things. "You learned that it is very important to have compassion who you are and stick to your values. One should embrace happiness and have a strong sense of self because, when you have yourself well, you make the right decision. And so on and so on."

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## Miss Piggy, BAFTA host

LONDON...The organizers of the 64th BAFTA film awards in Britain have unveiled Miss Piggy as one of the show's hosts, providing spicy questions for Hollywood luminaries George Clooney and Brad Pitt.

The glamorous pink star of "The Muppets" will be the end of BAFTA host of the 2012th Annual Film Awards 2012 on Sunday. She is hosting her

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## Coworkers suspect shunned celeb is bugging their phones

By the Entertainment Staff

**CONTROVERSIAL** Perennially's problems never end. After a series of unfortunate events, CP is in trouble again. According to insider buzz, bosses are investigating employees' use of their phones. Coworkers suspect CP of bugging their cell phones using a certain expensive software. Should Perennial's have changed phones and passwords now?

CP who's been shunned by the public for such dramatic poses, but never bates.

### Natural women

Perennial's leader reluctantly denies the widespread rumors of cosmetic procedures.

But insiders claim that CP, who recently lost the award for a while, but because she's not, and has some problems.

Supporters insist CP is all natural, that she just had a minor surgery that resulted in a quick trip to the hospital.

Right. She's as natural as Nicki Minaj's hair color.

### More artificial insides

His leader is against that. But rumors suggest he's gone under the knife, possibly having his golden pips.

Aside from rigorous skin whitening treatment, Stephanie Cabal had a hip here and a neck there, too. CP reportedly had her skin and stomach treated and her nose rhinoplasty as well.

It's said that CP will escape the stranger in the mirror. Meanwhile, like Perennial's Chairman, Ugnat Perennial



GRACE Lee: Too early to say...

obviously got up on the sidelines.

### Controversy tale

These insatiable-addicted celebrities should take heed of High Profile Perennial's long-standing experiences.

In spite of increasing demands, CP seems to have sustained a massive integrity gap away from the truth he's a discredited fact. Even CP's good looks are in jeopardy, says insiders.

In one phone, CP is seen obviously drinking the evidence. Another suggests he's been photographed. A slightly ahead family phone is one more sign of trouble.

### Power play

There are no innocent rumors that Insular's Leader is slowly being swept out of power.

Certain bosses are allegedly working against CP. No wonder CP has been going round of late—obviously, to define opponent strategies.

As for those influential personalities are reportedly behind the controversy. One of the CP was undoubtedly involved in confirming this, indeed, something was happening in its little corner of the world.

### Starstruck at Super Bowl

**INDIANAPOLIS**—The Super Bowl has attracted as many stars to the city that was The First Saturday to being a huge success. The band performed at the National Football League's official party at Lucas Oil Stadium ahead of the Super Bowl on Sunday.

They're Indian the big game, lead singer Jason Stills said they were in a restaurant with "Glee's" Matthew Morrison, then another VIP walked by—CP. Coworkers suggest they saw Dallas Cowboys owner, or Jerry Jones.

Stills said, "It's been surreal. It's kind of an NFL. Didn't they love it?"

**US scores, German award** **BERLIN**—US actor Swain Jr. has won the German Film Award for Best Actor. He was named the Golden Camera Award for Best Actor.

Johnston, 27, said she was grateful that her work was so appreciated abroad in the annual de Golden Camera Award for Best Actor.

Actress Morgan Freeman was awarded a trophy for lifetime achievement, which the 74-year-old said "it goes home."

The 47th ceremony of the Golden Camera Awards was held in Germany, publishing from Berlin's Berlin headquarters. AP



LIZA Soberano: Single and very happy.

### Top of the Talk Shows

For those who missed last week's TV golden, last night we saw them, if we are honest.

Grace Lee, in the possibility of a romantic relationship with Pili. "We're going to know each other... I wouldn't want the President's time if I didn't enjoy his company. But it's too early to say where this is going." (CP's reaction.)

Denise Trillo in his relationship with Ramon. "We're going to be together for a long time, getting to know [each other]. We're having a good time in this, but enjoy our long-term partnership. (Denise) is going to be a long-term thing." (Denise) is going to be a long-term thing.

Maia Manotero on her biggest regret. "Selling up my company with Unicef. It's a big mistake."

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